1 July 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 1 July 1959

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gates, Mr. Gray, Mr. Harr,

Mr. Murphy, Mr. Riddleberger, Mr. Scribner,

Mr. Washburn, Mr. Smith

1. Soviet Nuclear Weapons

Mr. Gates said that his impression was that recent intelligence estimates had indicated that it was expected that the Soviets would supply the Chinese Communists with nuclear weapons. Mr. Dulles replied that he thought the estimates had not been quite as black and white as this but had indicated that such weapons might be furnished only under certain circumstances, such as the U.S. use of tactical nuclear weapons in connection with the offshore islands dispute. He agreed to check further on this point.

2. Art Exhibit at the Moscow Exhibition

Mr. Murphy expressed some concern at the type of art which had been chosen for display at the exhibition in Sokolniki Park. He referred particularly to a derogatory caricature of an American general which had been done by an artist who appears to be clearly affiliated with Communists or Communist-front organizations. Mr. Washburn defended the method of selection, but the consensus of the Board seemed to be that more care might have been taken, while at the same time not attempting any censorship of political beliefs. It was concluded that it was probably too late to do anything about replacing pictures already selected, but it was thought that there might be some possibility of rotating the pictures within the exhibition so as to mitigate the effect in some degree.

3. Nuclear Test Bans

It was reported that Dr. Killian is scheduled to make a speech at the National Press Club on 7 July. It was generally agreed that this would be an excellent vehicle by which to get the official views of the Government adequately presented before an effective forum.

4. National Medical Program Abroad

Mr. Gates said that he was informed that despite the discussion by the OCB on 7 May 1958 of the medical programs carried on abroad by various U.S. agencies, no real coordinating effort seems to have resulted, while at the same time the Soviets appear to be magnifying their activities in this field. The Executive Officer was instructed to see what, if anything, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare has done to follow through on this matter. The DCI questioned whether HEW has in fact the final jurisdiction in this field. It was agreed that it would be useful for the Board to see a compilation of what the Soviets are doing in this connection.

6. Moroccan Bases

A general discussion then took place of the Moroccan base situation. It was agreed that no overt action should be taken by the U.S. until the scheduled meeting has taken place between General de Gaulle and Premier Ibrahim.

7. Indonesia

Mr. Harr then alluded to the precarious situation in Indonesia. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Dulles commented that now that Sukarno is back in the country he can be expected to make some move to attempt to restore the 1945 constitution.

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8. Caribbean

Mr. Gray then opened a discussion of the situation throughout the Caribbean. The Board agreed, among other things, that the JCS might be asked to study the situation regarding U.S. forces stationed in Panama. The DCI reported that an NIE on the Caribbean is in process and that once this has been prepared, the Board might profitably discuss the area further, with particular reference to attempted Communist penetration there.

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